



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

### Proposed Permit Renewal for Evergreen Oil, Inc. – Santa Maria Facility Santa Maria, California



**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** July 2 through August 15, 2008

**WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED?** The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to review and comment on the Draft Renewal Standardized Permit, Series C (Permit) for the Evergreen Oil, Inc. – Santa Maria Facility (Evergreen Oil) at 745-A West Betteravia Road in Santa Maria. Approval of the Permit will allow Evergreen Oil to continue operating a hazardous waste storage facility.

The facility collects used oil, waste antifreeze, oily water, and oil contaminated solid waste from offsite generators (gas stations, oil changers, auto repair shops, etc.) and consolidates these wastes in tanks and containers at the facility before shipping them to an authorized hazardous waste treatment or disposal facility. Used oil and waste antifreeze are required to be managed as hazardous waste.

DTSC regulates the generation, storage, treatment and disposal of hazardous waste in California. A Permit enables DTSC to effectively regulate the hazardous waste management activities at facilities. Permits are developed after DTSC's detailed technical review, and are intended to ensure that the facility operates in a manner that protects human health and the environment.

Evergreen Oil is a permitted hazardous waste storage facility, within the Engel and Gray, Inc. company site. The facility occupies about 4,000 square feet of land leased from Engel and Gray Inc., a construction, transportation, crane and waste remediation firm. The facility consists of three hazardous waste management units and is setback about 500 feet from the West Betteravia Road entrance. The facility is unmanned but is locked at all time. Only Evergreen Oil employees have access to facility.

**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT – NOTICE OF EXEMPTION** - DTSC evaluated any possible environmental impacts associated with the proposed activities of Evergreen Oil as required by the CEQA. DTSC has prepared a Notice of Exemption which states that the continue operations of the Hazardous Waste Facility would not have any impacts to human health and the environment. The findings are available for review, along with other supporting documents in the information repositories.

**WHY THIS NOTICE?** The purpose of this notice is to provide you with the opportunity to learn more about the Draft Permit and to provide comments to DTSC, within forty-five (45) days of this notice.

**HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?** Your participation is encouraged. Comments concerning the Draft Permit may be submitted in writing to Mr. Alfred Wong, DTSC Project Manager, 700 Heinz Avenue, Berkeley, California 94710, or e-mail [Awong@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:Awong@dtsc.ca.gov). All mail must be postmarked by 5 PM on August 15, 2008. E-mailed comments must be received by DTSC no later than 5 PM on the same date.

The **public meeting** for Evergreen, Santa Maria will be held July 24, 2008, at 6:30 p.m. at the Elwin Mussell Senior Center, 510 E. Park Avenue, Santa Maria, ((805) 925-0951, ext. 260).

**WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?** A copy of the Draft Permit and CEQA Notice of Exemption is available for review in the Information Repositories located at Santa Maria Public Library, 421 S. McClelland Street, Santa Maria, 93454, and Department of Toxic Substances Control, Berkeley Regional Office, 700 Heinz Avenue, Berkeley, 94710.

**CONTACT:** If you have any questions or wish to discuss the project, please contact Mr. Alfred Wong, DTSC Project Manager, at (510) 540-3946 or by e-mail to [Awong@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:Awong@dtsc.ca.gov). For public participation activities, please contact Ms. Kim Rhodes, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, at (916) 255-3651 or by e-mail to [Krhodes1@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:Krhodes1@dtsc.ca.gov). Members of the media should contact Ms. Claudia Loomis, DTSC Public Information Officer, at (916) 255-6578 or by e-mail to [Cloomis@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:Cloomis@dtsc.ca.gov).